

REMARKS

To date, the Examiner has not indicated that the subject matter of the information disclosure statement (IDS) filed June 11, 2002 has been properly considered. A copy of such IDS is submitted herewith. If the Examiner requires additional copies of any reference(s), applicant invites the Examiner to contact the undersigned. Documentation in the file wrapper of the instant application confirming the Examiner's consideration of the appropriate reference(s) is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-25 and 28-31 under 35 U.S.C. 101 as being directed towards non-statutory subject matter. Applicant has clarified the claims in order to avoid such rejection.

The Examiner is thanked for the allowable subject matter of Claim 11. In response, applicant has at least substantially incorporated the allowable subject matter of Claim 11 into *each* of the independent claims. Thus, all of the independent claims are deemed allowable. Moreover, the remaining dependent claims are further deemed allowable, in view of their dependence on such independent claims.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. NVIDP074/P000427).

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Application No. 10/099,721 ) Atty. Docket No. NVIDP074/P000427  
Filed: 03/14/2002 ) Date: June 11, 2002  
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CALCULATING )  
PARTIAL DIFFERENTIAL EQUATIONS IN A )  
HARDWARE GRAPHICS PIPELINE )

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UNDER 37 CFR §§1.56 AND 1.97(b)

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

Application Numbers 10/098,833, and 10/099,770, both filed March 14, 2002, may be material to examination of the above-identified patent application. Applicants identify these applications in compliance with their duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 CFR §§1.56 and 1.97. The Examiner is requested to make this statement an official record in this application. However, IT IS RESPECTFULLY REQUESTED THAT THE APPLICATION SERIAL NUMBERS AND FILING DATES NOT BE IDENTIFIED ON ANY PATENT ISSUED FROM THE ABOVE-IDENTIFIED APPLICATION under MPEP §609C(2) and §609D.

This Information Disclosure Statement is not to be construed as a representation that a search has been made, that additional information material to the examination of this application does not exist, or that these references indeed constitute prior art.

This Information Disclosure Statement is believed to be filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, it is believed that no fees are due in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. However, if it is determined that any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account 50-1351 (Order No. NVIDP074/P000427 ).

Respectfully submitted,  
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